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0129785 B, that is discussed on page 1 of this application.

A copy of the International Search Report from applicants' corresponding
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Enclosed is a copy of U.S. Patent No. 4,659,872 (Dery et al.). The
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International Search Report cited column 3, line 45, to column 4, line 59, column
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Claims 1, 2, 15 and 24, and Figures 2 to 8 and 16 to 20 of Dery et al. as being relevant.

Enclosed is a copy of U.S. Patent No. 5,238,006 (Markowitz et al.). The International Search Report cited Markowitz et al. as being particularly relevant by itself (Category X) as regards Claims 1, 12 and 13 of applicants' corresponding International patent application. The International Search Report cited Markowitz et al. as being technological background (Category A) as regards Claims 2 and 3 of applicants' corresponding International patent application.

Enclosed is a copy of French Published Patent Application No. 2,530,874 (French '874). The International Search Report cited French '874 as being particularly relevant by itself (Category X) as regards Claims 1, 12 and 13 of applicants' corresponding International patent application. The International Search Report French '874 as being technical background (Category A) as regards Claims 2 to 4, 7, 9 and 10 of applicants' corresponding International patent application. The International Search Report cited page 5, line 23, to page 9, line 7, page 13, line 1, to page 15, line 23, Claims 1, 3 and 7 to 9, and Figures 1, 2, 4 and 5 of French '874 as being relevant.

Enclosed is a copy of U.S. Patent No. 5,262,590 (Lia). The International Search Report cited Lia as being particularly relevant by itself (Category X) as regards Claims 1 to 3, 5, 12 and 13 of applicants' corresponding International patent application. The International Search Report cited Lia as being particularly relevant when combined with another reference in the same category (Category Y) as regards Claim 4, 6 to 11 and 14 of applicants' corresponding

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Enclosed is a copy of Patent Abstracts of Japan, Vol. 1995, No. 07, Aug. 31, 1995, (Japanese Abstract), that abstracts Japanese Published Patent Application No. 07/106757. The International Search Report cited Japanese Abstract as being particularly relevant when combined with another reference in the same category (Category Y), cited all of Japanese Abstract as being relevant, and cited Japanese Abstract as being relevant to Claims 6 and 14 of applicants' corresponding International patent application.

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Enclosed is a copy of U.S. Published Patent Application No. 2001/006252 (Kim et al.). The International Search Report cited Kim et al. as being technological background (Category A), cited paragraphs 0008 to 0011, 0051 to 0053 and 0057 to 0059, and Figures 1 to 3, 5 and 10 to 15 of Kim et al. as being relevant, and cited Kim et al. as being relevant to Claims 1 to 4 of applicants' corresponding International patent application.

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